

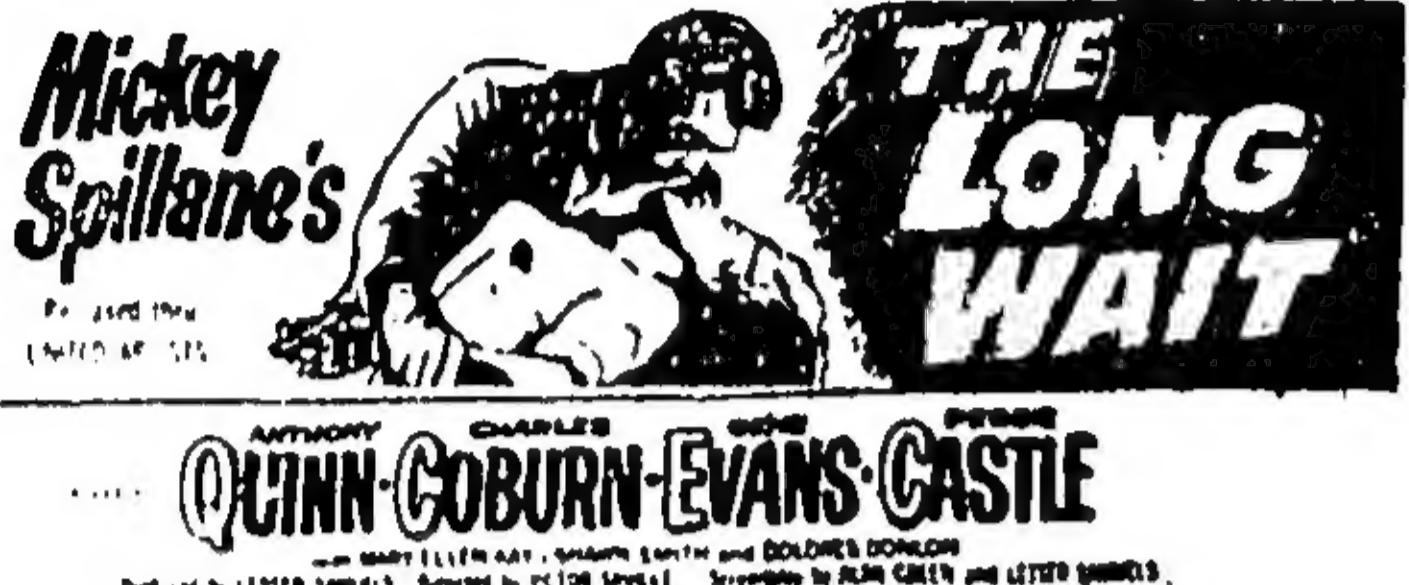
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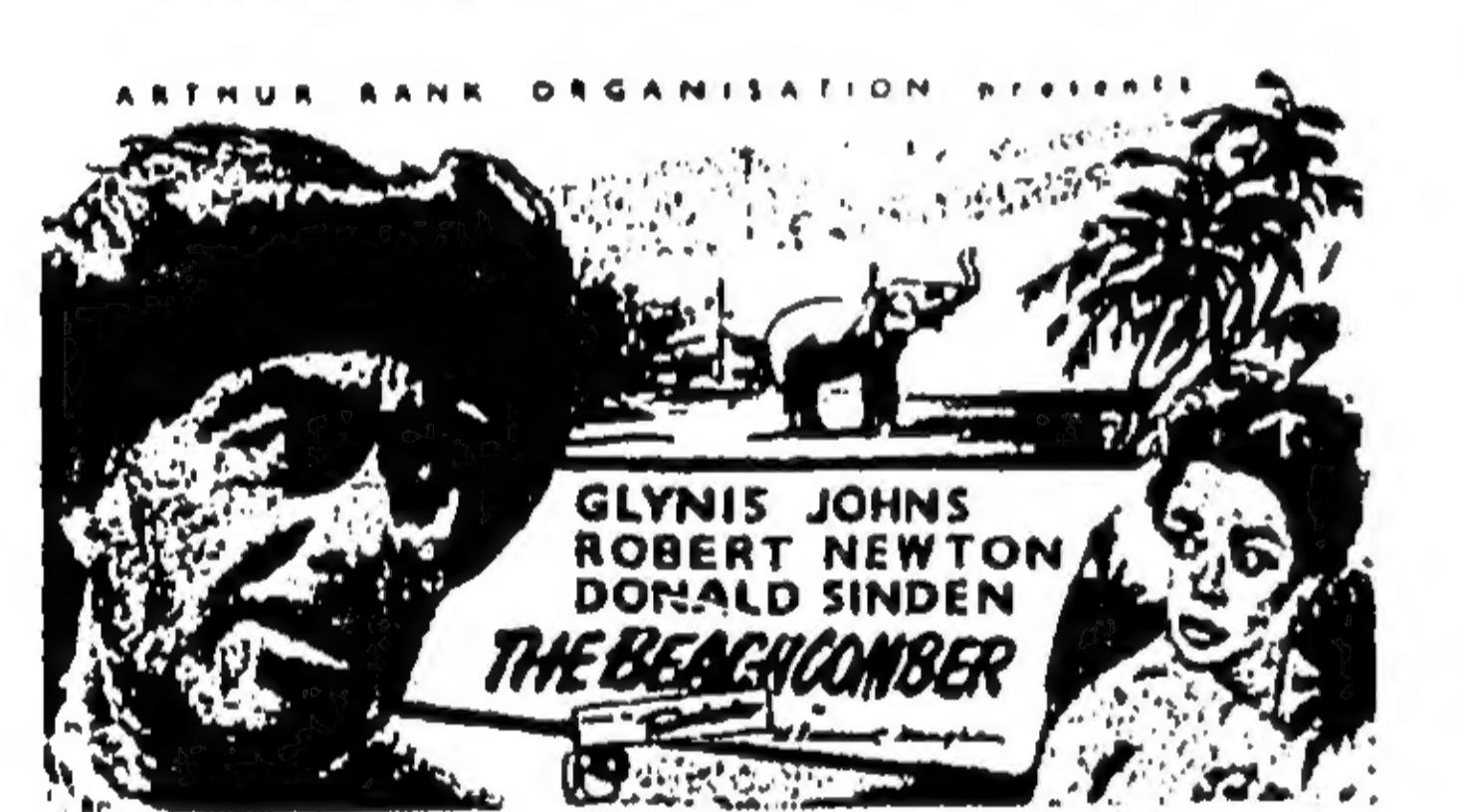
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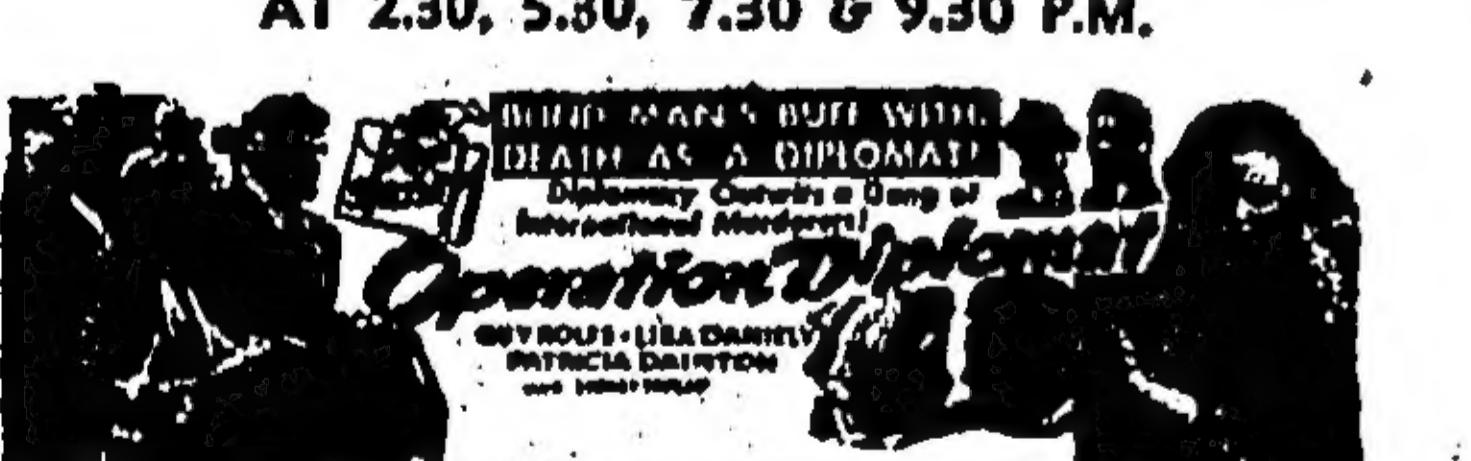
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Yoshida Faces Most Grave Crisis Of Career

Tokyo, Nov. 14. Seventy-six-year-old Prime Minister Yoshida faces his biggest political crisis when he returns home on November 17 from his European and American tour—if he doggedly intends to remain in office.

Anti-Yoshida factions, Conservative and Socialist, have stepped up their manoeuvres designed to force Mr Yoshida who has organised five Cabinets since the war ended to quit now that he has made his long contemplated overseas junket. The Central Committee of the Progressive Party on Saturday night reaffirmed party President Mamoru Shigemitsu's decision to join the projected new anti-Yoshida Conservative Party under Ichiro Hatoyama's leadership.

The Committee rejected a member's demand to oust former Prime Minister Hitoshi Ashida as a "disciplinary measure" but censured him for alleged pro-Yoshida efforts in trying to postpone organisation of the new party until after Mr Yoshida's return. Mr Ashida explained his movement was prompted on the belief Mr Yoshida would voluntarily

retire after completion of his overseas tour.

INVITATIONS

At the same time sponsors of the new anti-Yoshida party formally issued invitations to 272 politicians to join it. The list included 198 current members of the House of Representatives—14 members of Mr Yoshida's own Liberal Party, 40 members of the Progressive Party, eight members of the Japan Liberal Party, seven Independents and minor parties, 22 members of the House of Councillors, 42 former members of the House of Councillors and 10 others.

Mr Hatoyama, who missed becoming Prime Minister in May, 1948, when Gen. Douglas MacArthur purged him as an ultra-nationalist, and Mr Yoshida assumed his first Premiership, assumed his broadside on Saturday against Mr Yoshida.

On a stumping tour in nearby Chiba Prefecture, Mr Hatoyama pledged a "clean" government by the new Conservative Party he heads to replace the "scandal-ridden" Yoshida administration.

Opposition members of the House Audit Committee on Saturday announced plans to summon Mr Yoshida to testify in connection with a shipping scandal in a move aimed to embarrass and oust him. Mr Yoshida previously refused to attend its hearings, saying he was too busy preparing for his overseas trip.

Anti-Yoshida politicians to-day planned to map their next steps after learning Mr Yoshida's intentions. These were expected to come to light following the return today of Mr. Asai Sato, former secretary-general of the Liberal Party from Washington where he has been a member of Mr Yoshida's party.

Mr Sato, obviously bearing Mr Yoshida's instructions, left Washington in advance of the Prime Minister to cope with the increasingly acute political situation facing the Government.

Mr Sato's return is certain to stimulate the Audit Committee's efforts to summon the Premier to testify. An unprecedented action by the Government in keeping Mr Sato from the stand in connection with the shipping scandal evoked nationwide criticism.

"It was much more satisfactory for me than to associate with a government whose prime minister had to address his audience from behind an armoured plate and the distance between him and his audience had to be sufficient so no bullets could find him as a target."

"I am happy that the voice of the people has prevailed."

Mr Suhrawardy said that his chief aim in life was now to see that East and West Pakistan remained together.

"I am determined to see that goodwill is established and that the years of distrust, suspicion and hatred, fostered by the Moslem League are abolished."

"I have suggested that the constitution should be framed by the properly elected representatives of the people and then there would be no question of provincial domination. The constitution would be based on a good and genuine consensus of opinion."

DONE RIGHT

Mr Suhrawardy said the Governor-General had done right in dismissing the Constituent Assembly and attacked the members who were challenging the legality of the act.

He said: "My advice to them is: 'Let matters take their course.' They are not merely disputing the legality of the act but fighting public opinion."

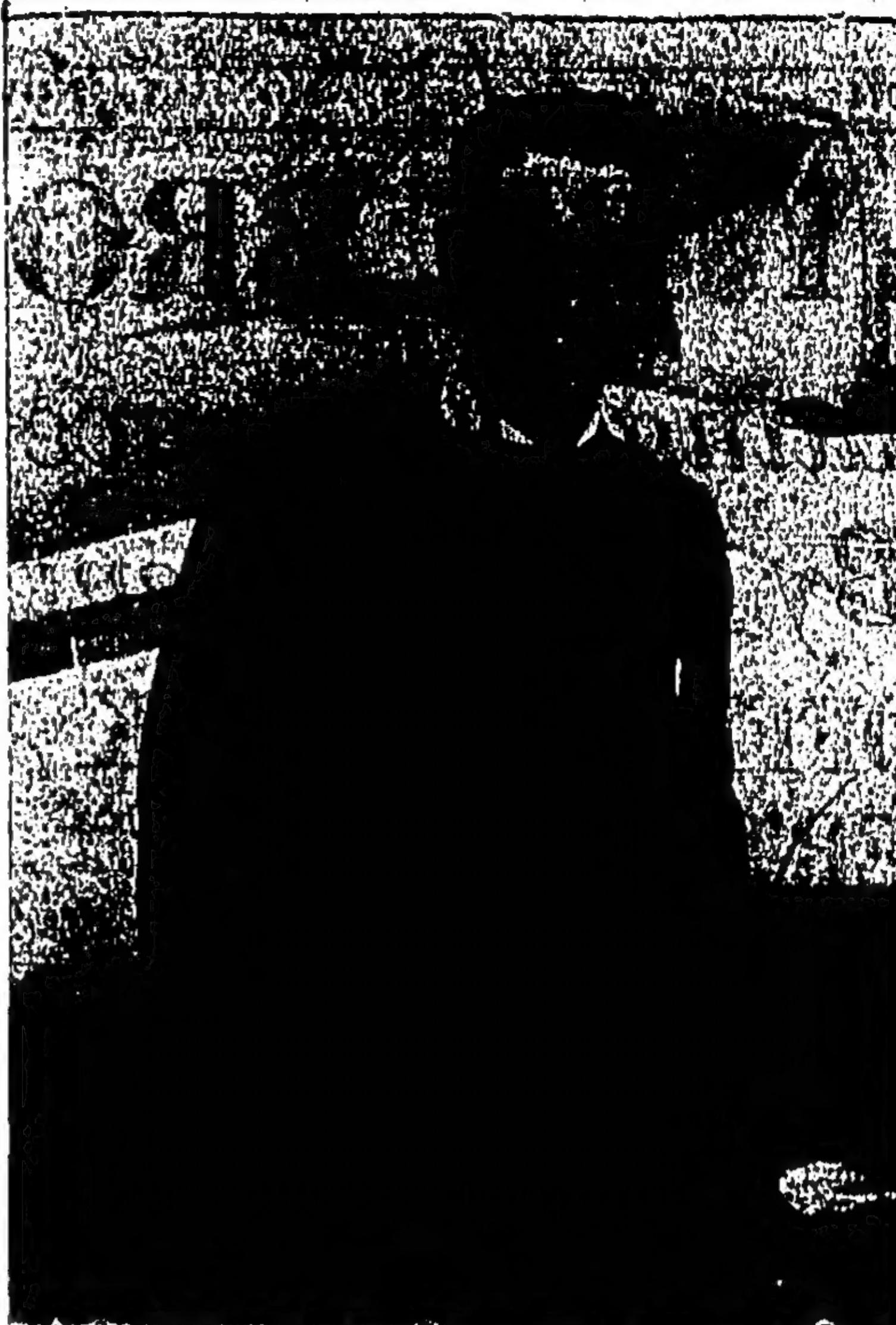
"They should realise the power of public opinion and should accept what has taken place."—United Press.

Earlier Mr Suhrawardy emphasising the importance of public opinion said that it was public opinion in Pakistan which had brought about the downfall of the power of the Moslem League, with its favouritism and depotism.

The convention was attended by delegates representing over 25,000 Pakistani workers and students throughout Britain.

It passed a series of resolutions including a call for an inquiry into private shipping companies in Pakistan and protest to the Governor-General in demanding the Constituent Assembly. It was decided to submit a deputation to the Governor-General to discuss the grievances of all Pakistan's seafarers.

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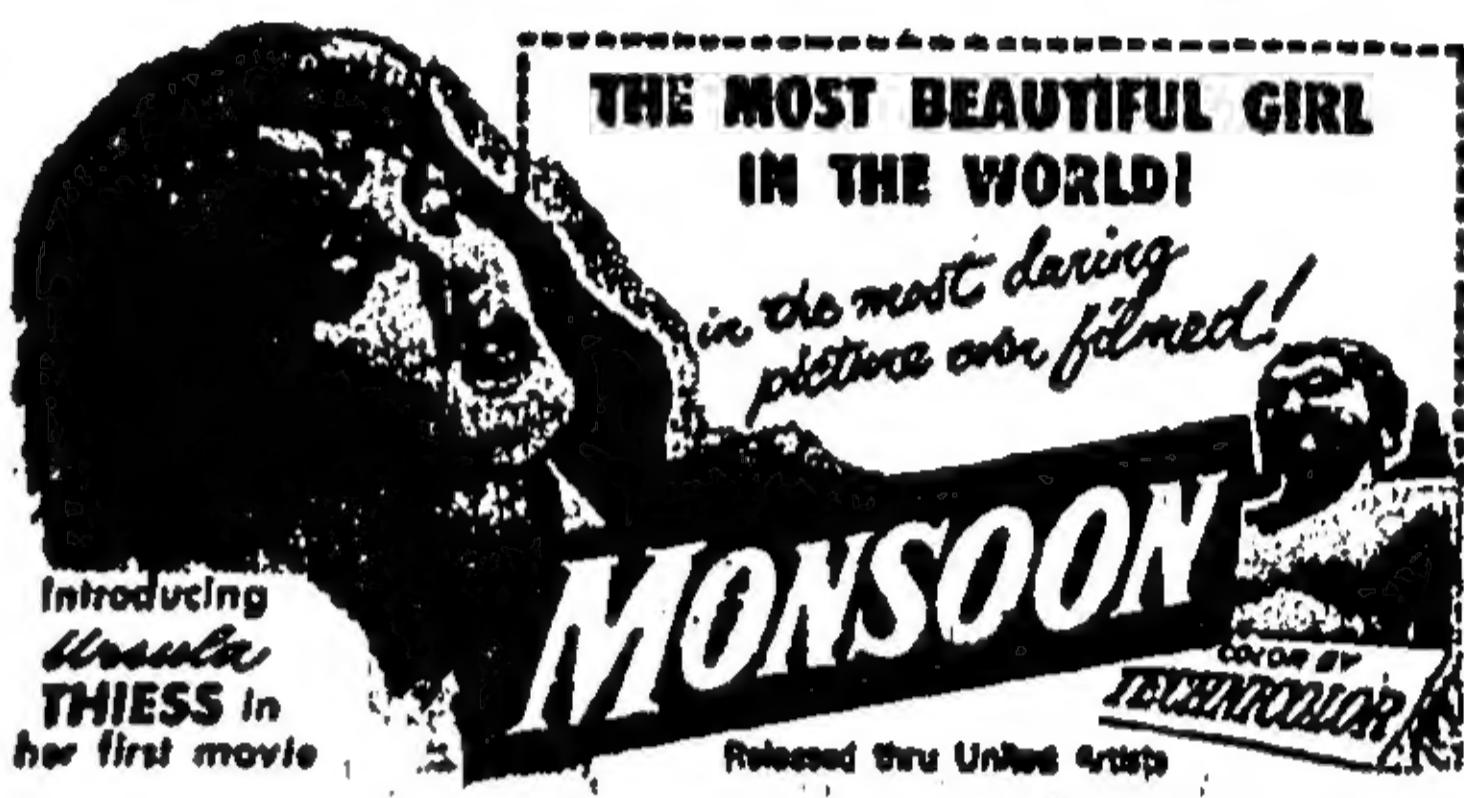
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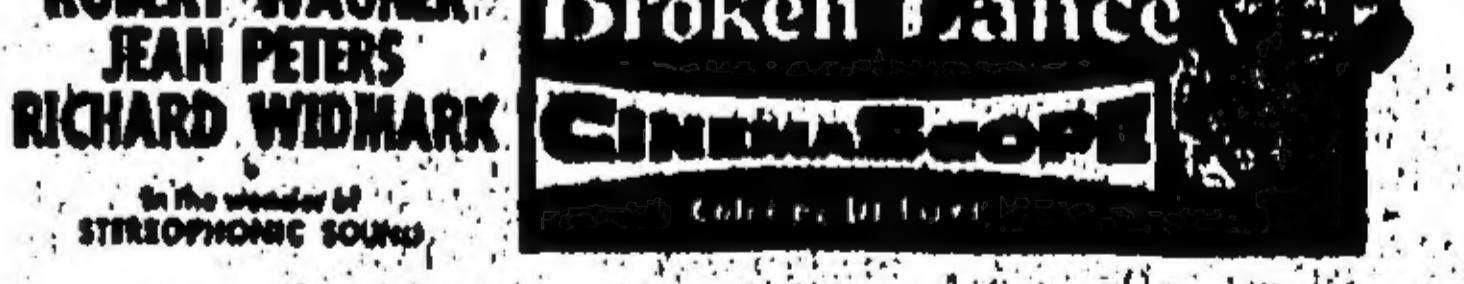


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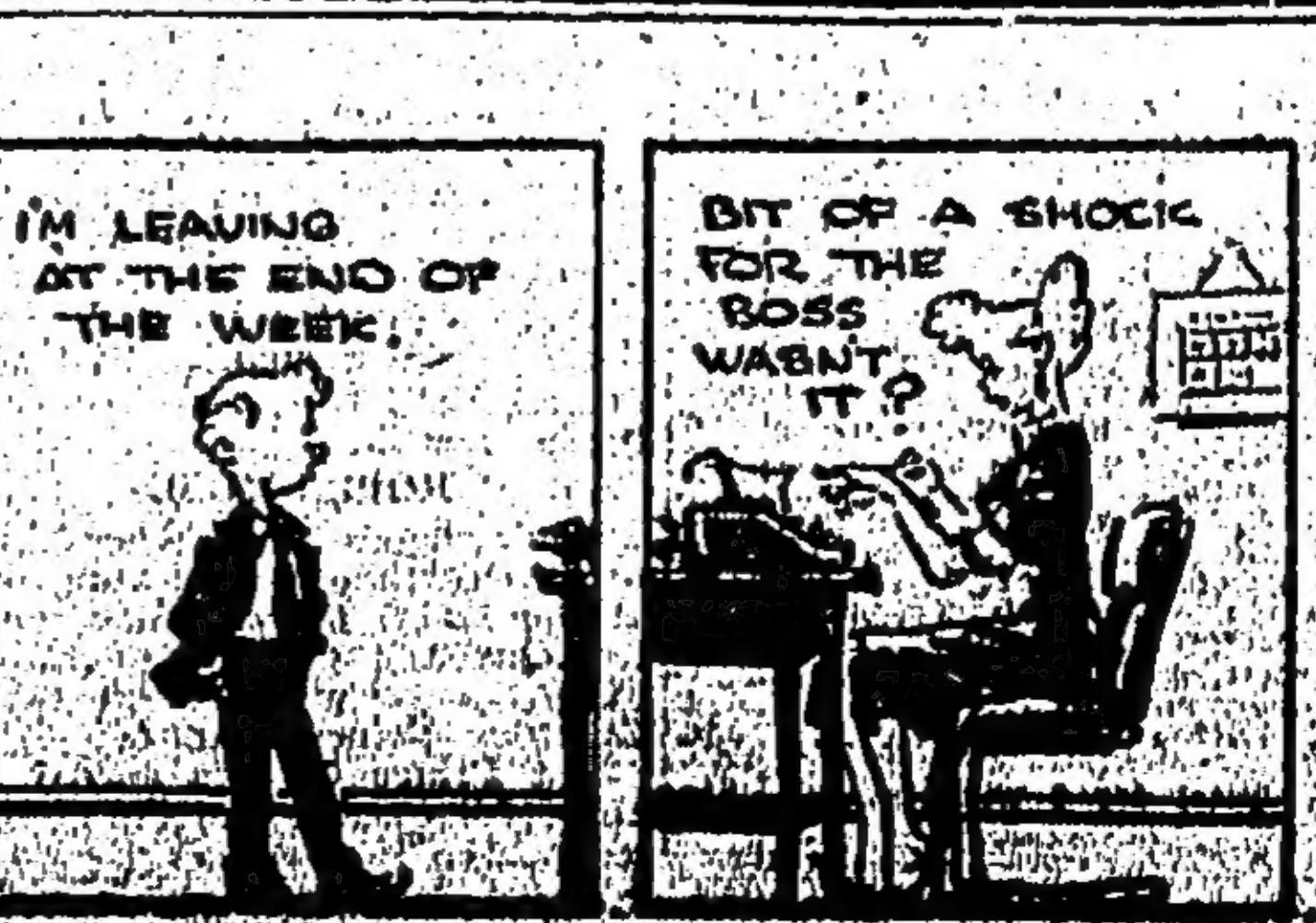
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ATOMS-FOR-PEACE PLAN

West To Ask For Clarification Of Criticisms

RED AMENDMENTS

New York, Nov. 14. The Western powers are expected to press Russia to clarify some of its criticisms of the Western atoms-for-peace scheme when the United Nations debate on the plan resumes tomorrow.

The Russian delegate, Mr Andrei Vyshinsky, submitted on Friday a list of amendments to the seven-power proposal, which is being debated in the Political Committee.

The resolution would set up an international agency to develop peaceful uses of atomic energy by means of negotiations ending in a treaty, and would call for a conference next summer in Geneva.

Mr Vyshinsky maintained that the agency should be under the Security Council (where Western observers noted, the veto could be used) instead of being set up as a specialised autonomous agency as visualised by the West.

OBJECTION

He also objected that the West was trying to predetermine the functions and character of the agency before negotiating with the Soviet Union.

Western observers believe that the United States and its allies are unalterably opposed to any suggestion that would make decisions of the agency subject to the Security Council veto.

But it was not at all certain that Mr Vyshinsky actually meant that when speaking on Friday.

Delegates have been studying his amendments over the week-

Monarchs In Spanish Elections

Madrid, Nov. 14. Four well known Monarchs, including Señor Joaquín Calvo Sotelo, brother of José Sotelo, whose murder in July, 1936 precipitated the Spanish civil war, were among candidates proclamed here today for city elections next Sunday.

There were also four Falangists and four independents announced as candidates to fill four of the 24 seats on the City Council. The vote is the only direct popular vote in Spain, as parliamentary elections are all indirect.

This is the first time that Monarchs have made a bid for votes under the present regime in municipal contests in Madrid by presenting well known figures.

No political propaganda is permitted in electioneering and candidates may canvass only on municipal issues.—Reuter.

New Evidence Against Mossadeq

Tehran, Nov. 14. The pro-government morning newspaper, Farman, today called for a new trial by army courts of former Premier Mohammed Mossadeq, on the strength of fresh evidence, allegedly linking him with the outlawed Communist Tudeh Party.

The new paper said the new evidence had been disclosed during recent trials of Communist army leaders. It added that renewed questioning of the ex-premier, who is in his sixties, would last ten days.

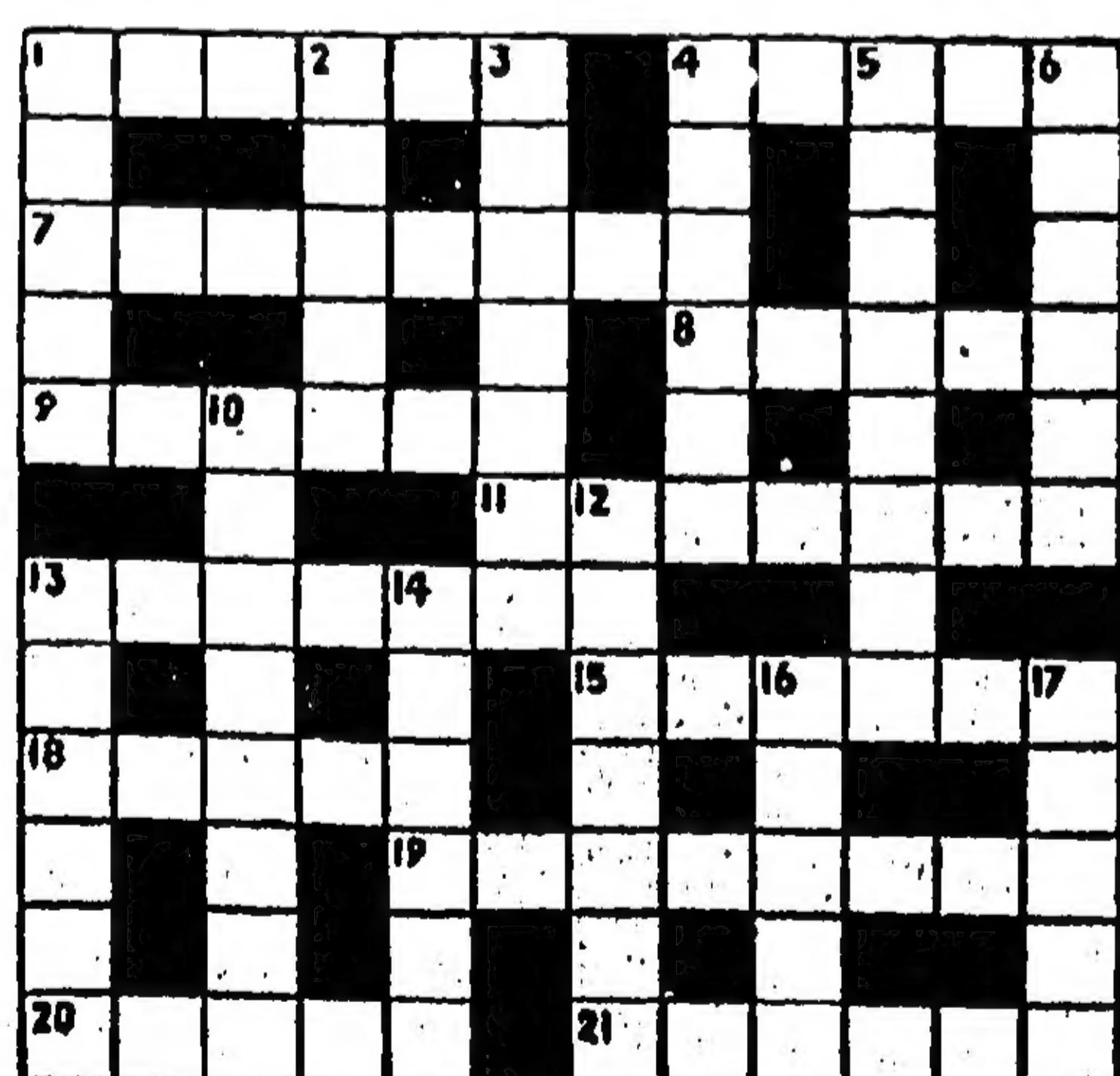
Farman said the questioning would take place in Gaoz prison, where Dr Mossadeq is serving his sentence of three years solitary confinement for treason, imposed last December.

The chief army prosecutor, Brigadier Hussein Azmoudeh, said today he had no knowledge of any reopened investigation.

A pro-government document deplored Reuter.

The Government's aim is to position a year ago to impose greater punishment. Possibly Mossadeq's act were more serious than was realised.—Reuter.

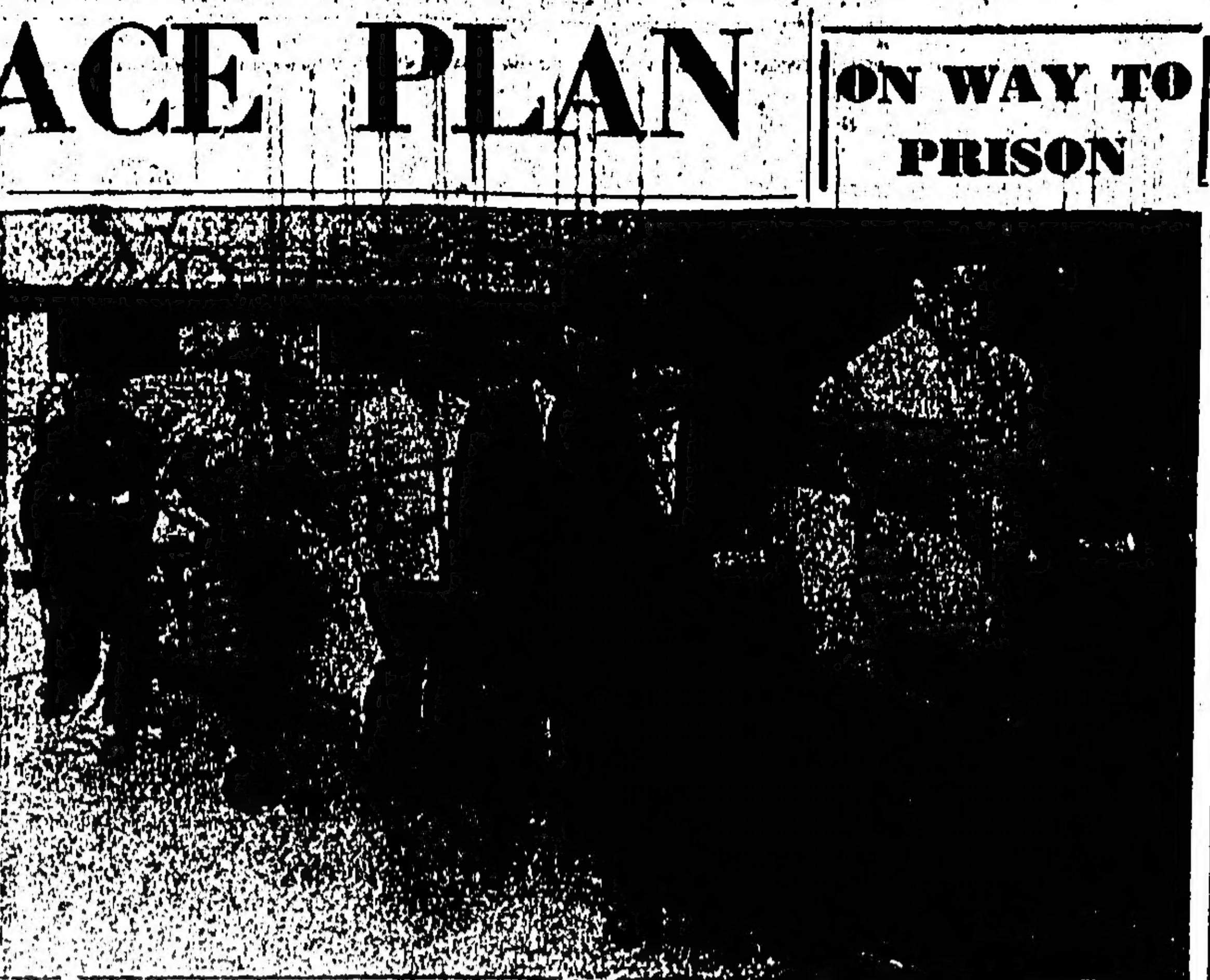
A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
1 Summary (6).
4 Beverage (5).
7 Trick (6).
8 Fashion (5).
9 Hilarious (6).
11 Tell (7).
13 Registers (7).
15 Magnificent (6).
18 Caps (5).
19 Examines (8).
20 Blockheads (6).
21 Clippers (6).

DOWN
1 Schemes (6).
2 Local (6).
3 Gallery (7).
4 Talented (6).
5 Shrike (8).
6 Andarw (6).
10 Holiday (8).
12 Hop (7).
13 Wundered (6).
14 Country Instructions (10).
15 Pardon (6).
17 Foundation (5).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Gals, 4. Hustles, 8. Ruler, 9. Aria, 10. Violent, 11. Big, 12. Oval, 14. Lounges, 17. Repet., 19. Stoic, 22. Locomot., 23. Edit., 27. Thin, 28. Capture, 29. Drift, 30. Ships, 31. Permiss., 32. Corp., Down: 2. Create, 3. Able, 4. Rival, 6. Unison, 6. Talon, 7. Caps., 12. Oval, 13. Apes, 15. Crook, 16. Snout, 18. Entree, 20. Tender, 21. Litter, 23. Estate, 24. Seats, 25. Seats.



Members of the secret branch of the Muslim Brotherhood, on their way to a military prison in Cairo, after their recent arrest. It was this branch which, it is alleged, had prepared plans for the assassination of all members of the Revolution Council, and to eliminate 100 Army officers.—Express Photo.

ON WAY TO PRISON

Marie Louise Wrote To Napoleon Three Times A Day

Stockholm, Nov. 14. Details were disclosed here today of 127 love letters sent by the Empress Marie Louise to her husband Napoleon Bonaparte as he campaigned across the battlefields of Europe in the fateful years of 1813 and 1814.

The letters, written on gold-edged paper bearing a watermark of Napoleon's profile, referred to the gradual cooling of her affections.

On August 3, 1814, she wrote: "I am very pleased with General Neipperg who my father has placed over me. He speaks about you in decorous terms."

General Neipperg became her lover and a week later the Empress's correspondence with the now defeated Emperor ceased.

AFTER DIVORCE

The Empress married Napoleon after he had divorced Josephine at the end of 1810. She often wrote to him three times a day and eagerly awaited the replies which he dictated from horseback to a personal courier.

Napoleon's letters were found in Austria in 1934 and the long search for the Empress's ended only recently when they were discovered in the archives of the Royal Palace in Stockholm.

Dr Carl Frederik Palmstierna—who released details of the letters today—in the personal secretary to King Gustav Adolf and has been authorised to publish the letters in France and Sweden.

He said Napoleon carefully guarded his wife's letters and gave them to his brother, Joseph, for safe-keeping before setting out on the campaign which was to end in Waterloo.

Joseph later handed the letters to his sister-in-law, Desiree, who brought them with her to Sweden when her husband was nominated to the throne of that country.

In the early letters the Empress writes as a devoted mother and wife concerned with running the Imperial household at the Tuilleries while Napoleon campaigned abroad.

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In another she said: "Today he had toothache but I stopped the pain, putting a wad of cotton wool in the cavity."

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Britain Cannot 'Go It Alone' Says Ex-Envoy

London, Nov. 14. Sir Oliver Franks, British Ambassador to Washington from 1948 to 1952, said tonight that Britain could not continue as a great Power without the Commonwealth.

Little argument was needed to show the necessity of the Commonwealth to Britain's greatness, he added.

If Britain tried to "go it alone" it would become either an off-island of Europe or an off-island of the United States. But Britons did not want to become absorbed into Europe nor live in dependence on the United States.

"All the more reason then for making a success of the Commonwealth," Sir Oliver said. "This is the relationship which enables us to play in the big league with the great Continental Powers.

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Two Charged With Theft Of Body

Rushyford, County Durham, Nov. 14.

The police announced here tonight that they had served summons on a man and a teenage boy for taking away the body of a nine-year-old boy from the family tomb of Sir Anthony Eden, Britain's Foreign Secretary, near here.

The tomb is at Windlestone Hall, near here, where Sir Anthony Eden was born. The body was said to be that of Robert Eden, who died in 1856. The coffin was found in the grounds of the Hall about eight weeks ago.

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When her father, the Emperor of Austria, who was fighting against Napoleon, urged her to return to Vienna before the allied armies entered Paris she wrote to Napoleon: "I wish my father would have as much trouble with the Russians as you have. He would then go over to your side. The Russians are a wicked people and one feels horror reading in the newspapers of all the atrocities they commit."

After a dramatic letter in which she said "The allies stand at the gates of Paris and I must fly," she wrote Napoleon short letters describing her wanderings through France with his family.

They show her torn between the desire to join Napoleon at Fontainebleau, where he was to abdicate, and the promptings of her own conscience urging her to obey her father and go to England.

After surrendering to the Allies, he continued to write to Napoleon from Vienna and told of his attempts to obtain permission to join him in his exile on Elba.

The letters still ended with endearments like "I kiss you tenderly" but became rarer as General Neipperg came home and more into her life.

Scientists Confer On Radioactivity

Tokyo, Nov. 15. United States and Japanese scientists meet today for a five-day conference on the subject which caused the greatest popular anxiety here during recent months—radioactivity.

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AMERICANS ATTEND

A team of seven American scientists are attending the conference, including Dr. Paul B. Pearson, chief of the biological division of the Atomic Energy Commission, Japanese scientists, all members of the Japan Science Council, a private but influential body, include Professor Kenjiro Kimura of Tokyo University.

The conference is being held at the suggestion of the Japan Science Council. The scientists will discuss, firstly, the determination of a maximum permissible exposure to radiation.

Secondly, decontamination of radioactive substances.

Thirdly, standardisation of apparatus and methods of measuring radioactivity, and fourthly, the use of radiotopes and radiation in agriculture and biological research.

"We will have a reception for the immediate family and close friends after the ceremony," said Mr. Stewart.

"Nothing elaborate is planned."

Jimmy and his two sisters, Mrs. Mary Petty of Pennsylvania and Mrs. Virginia Tidmarsh of New York, will be at the wedding.

"We will follow the service

GERMANY REMEMBERS WAR DEAD

Bonn, Nov. 14.

French blooms mixed with the swirling leaves of late autumn in cemeteries throughout Germany today as the nation remembered her staggering toll of dead and missing in two wars.

Flags flew at half mast and pealing church and cathedral bells broke through the overcast skies to summon the people to special "Remembrance Day" ceremonies.

With the thought of 9,000,000 war dead in their minds and the still-slaughtered cities surrounding them, the theme was peace.

Speaking at a ceremony in the flower-decked Government House, Mrs. Charlotte Konrad Adenauer told the assembly of post-war German leaders:

"We will follow your last will and work with all our strength for peace." United

National Party since he announced his impending retirement.

Dr Malan's visit to Pretoria is unexpected and is believed to have been prompted by the dispute which has arisen in the

National Party.

But, according to political observers, Dr Malan reckoned without the impetuous Republicans within his party.

OUTSPKEN

Six thousand miles across the sea, where he is holidaying for the first time in Europe, the Transvaal leader of the Nationalists and most outspoken Republicans, 61-year-old Hans Strijdom, backed by a majority of the party's supporters, has indicated his willingness to contest the premiership against Dr Malan's choice.

Mr. Havenga, who has threatened to resign rather than fight Mr. Strijdom, is awaiting Dr. Malan's arrival.

Influential quarters here are expected to urge Mr. Havenga not to withdraw his candidature. But it is also known that many other Nationalists would like to see Mr. Strijdom the "strong man" of the party, rather than Mr. Havenga.

As the crisis grows, its peak there was no further news here on Mr. Strijdom's whereabouts yesterday.

Malan's visit to China will continue

from November 20 to December 11.

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Shut-Out Bid Can Make You Worry

By OSWALD JACOBY

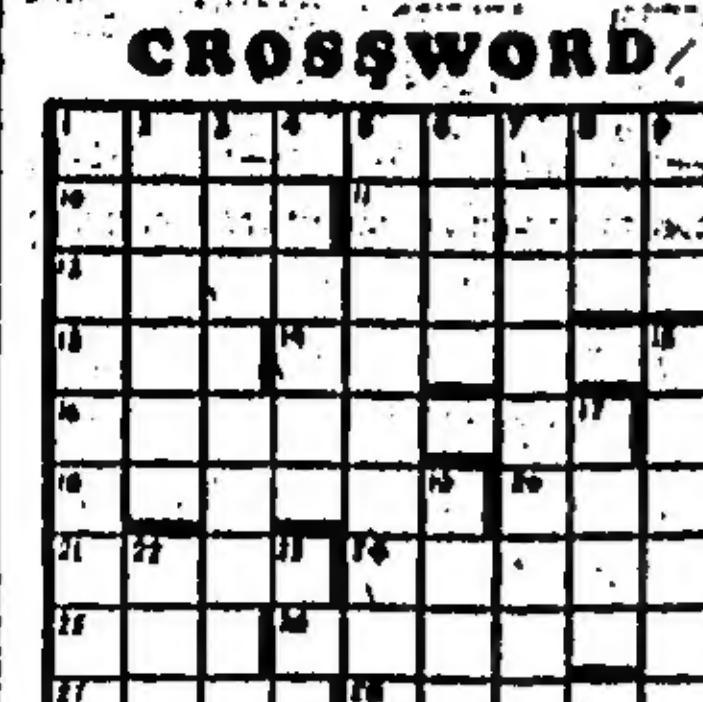
SHUT-OUT bids have a way of making life very difficult. When East bid four diamonds, North was faced by a problem. He could hardly afford to sell out and let East play the hand undoubled.

If North doubled, however, it was quite likely that South would bid rather than pass. North was quite willing to hear a high bid in hearts or clubs, but he didn't welcome a high bid in spades.

When South actually bid four spades in response to the double, West doubled fiercely. It took a lot of courage for North to pass this contract, but there was actually no difficulty in making four spades.

East could win the first trick with ace of diamonds, but if he then gave his partner a diamond ruff, West would get only one other natural trump trick. If East returned anything else, South could get to his hand by ruffing a heart in order to lead the pack of spades through West.

Actually, West would play low, but the defenders would



• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

WHEN, perhaps, 81 Socialist M.P.s visit Peking, it is hoped that they will discuss the question of the ping-pong match to be played there in December, against the Yoo-Hoo Club.

The Chinese are annoyed at the insistence of the British team on the words "table tennis." They point out that ping-pong is a Chinese game, invented by Ping-Pong in the fifth century. The British delegation is naturally anxious not to take too strong a line, in case the Chinese refuse to pay their expenses. We cannot afford to lose this match—especially after our ignominious defeat by the Bulgarian tiddlywinks team, which was such a blow to cultural relations. "It is silly," said a spokesman, "to take part in sporting events abroad, unless we have some guarantees that we shall be allowed to win."

Down

1. A rebel Jack is me, mixed. (9)
10. Dame about. (4)
11. Not many, faint. (9)
12. A little drink smaller than a tot. (3)
13. A means cattish, the officer commanding the R. mob? (6)
14. In the end, you get the bite. (6)
15. Act sweet and that field becomes good. (6)
16. Gores with bores in a book. (3)
17. An island for Honey. (4)
18. Nothing from the Latin. (6)
19. Gores with boot in the bugle. (6)
20. The river sounds like a bit of an annoyer. (4)
21. They're in evidence when the Welsh are around. (6)

Across

1. The morning before the and four-flutes means. (9)
2. Dog-tooth? (6)
3. A district attorney gets physical training before a trial. (11)
4. The word in Brooklyn? (8)
5. The man with a degree goes to the north-east. (4)
6. The man with a degree and the place for it. (9)
7. In short, the man from New York. (11)
8. You mustn't get them mixed up at the grammar school. (6)
9. Paper to call my own. (9)
10. I am a gull. (4)
11. One man's house is another's castle. (6)
12. A jester. (4)
13. A lie. (4)
14. 23. 8119, he often called. (6)
15. Saturday's solution. (6)

YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

NORTH	19
▲ A 5	
▼ A K 9 8 3	
◆ 10 4	
◆ A K 8 5	
WEST	19
▲ K Q 9 3	None
▼ Q J 8 7 4	5 2
◆ 5	
◆ A Q J B 8 7 3	Q 10 6 4
A J 9 7	
SOUTH (D)	19
▲ J 10 9 7 4 2	
◆ 10	
◆ K 0 2	
◆ A 2	
North-South vul.	
South Pass West Pass North Pass East Pass	1 1 4 4
Pass Pass Double Pass Pass	
4 A Double Pass Pass Pass	
Pass	
Opening lead — 9 5	

is limited to two trump tricks and the ace of diamonds.

Now that we've seen how easy it was for South to make four spades, let's not congratulate the astute North player on his courage in passing four spades. When the hand was actually played, North lacked this courage. He "ran" to five clubs, which East doubled with great enthusiasm.

South gave up, and North was allowed to play the hand at five clubs doubled. North succeeded in winning only six tricks and therefore suffered a loss of 1400 points instead of allowing his partner to make a profit of about 800 points.

It was difficult to pass the double of four spades, and North would deserve sympathy if he had run from four spades to come reasonably appetising contracts.

When he actually rescued himself at the eleven-trick level in a four-card suit, however, North was deliberately jumping out of the frying pan into the fire and had only himself to blame if he didn't like the climate there.

CARD Sense

Q.—The bidding has been:

South West North East
1 Spade Pass 3 Spades Pass

You, South, hold: Spades K-Q-6-3-2, Hearts A-8-4, Diamonds A-J, Clubs 8-6-3. What do you do?

A.—Bid three-no-trump. You have a minimum opening bid, and your choice is therefore between three-no-trump and four spades. Since you have strength in three suits and no dangerous short suit, you prefer three-no-trump.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades K-Q-6-3, Hearts A-8-6-4, Diamonds K-4, Clubs Q-6-3. What do you do?

Answer: Tomorrow



"Hello, Gregory—I see you've already met my father?"



A Real Fest

"It's an extraordinary thing to find the rainbow. Lots of people have seen the rainbow, but finding it and holding it—that's extraordinary, it is!"

On hearing this Knarf and Hanid promptly asked General Tin if they could go with him and see the rainbow, too. General Tin nodded. "I'm sure King Fat-Wat won't mind. Jump on behind me."

So Knarf and Hanid jumped on behind General Tin on the broad back of the hobbyhorse. A moment later they were galloping across the playground straight for the wall. "There you'll find the last of the butterflies," said General Tin. "Come to think, all of ours have a home now."

Rupert at Greycrook's Cove—22



WOMANSENSE

For Cocktails In Spring



Accidents Caused By Home Hazards

By ELEANOR ROSS

YOU can be hurt in more ways than by falling off a stepladder!

In case this is any news to you, here are a few favourite methods by which the housewife manages to injure life and limb: falling to light stairs properly, sprinkling the unmarked poison that looks just like flour into the stew; touching electrical equipment with wet hands—well, that's just a starter—there are lots of ways.

LITTLE KNOWN DANGERS

Even less well known are the hazards which occur because of unsanitary conditions in the home.

These include dishes and other kitchen utensils which are not quite clean; hands that have not been washed frequently enough, and the refrigerator or stove which harbours contaminated food.

Not dramatic perhaps, but quite dangerous.

Real cleanliness is hard to come by. It takes constant vigilance. Yet, without becoming a nervous wreck over the matter, the housewife can maintain a reasonable degree of sanitation in her home.

SPOTLESS KITCHEN
Equally important are spotless kitchenware, well-washed dishes and clean working areas. The kitchen floor should be well scrubbed, too. Dust and germs multiply with traffic. Just walking around is enough to stir up a soupcon of dust, you know.

For thorough dishwashing, scrape and stack dishes with plenty of hot, thick suds, as hot as the hands can stand.

For a really professional job, rinse your kitchen gear with even hotter water than your hands find comfortable, pouring the rinse from a kettle or spray. See that the dishpan suds don't become too cool.

Cracked and chipped ware should be tossed out unless you can make use of it in an ornamental way to hold plants or the like. Such surfaces are likely to hold food particles and bacteria, so it's a wise precaution to eliminate them.

OTHER PRECAUTIONS

After stove surfaces have cooled, go over the top with a soapy cloth. Keep the oven free from crusted food and grease. Wash your refrigerator once a week.

The bathroom should always be kept immaculate. Don't leave an assortment of scrubbing rags dangling from pipes under the sink. Scrub out your cleaning cloths and let them dry out on the line before further use.

Glass baking dishes are fine for freezing baked goods, casseroles, dishes and leftovers. You can freeze homemade pie in a glass plate and, when you bake it, it is safe to put the glass dish directly from the freezer into the hot oven. However, hot glass baking dishes should be thoroughly cooled at room temperature before they are put in the freezer.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

If you've decided to be one of those smart girls who make their own clothes, but are only a beginning seamstress, don't make your first dress of a printed material which will require matching, such as a plaid. Choose a plain inexpensive fabric that is firmly woven and does not have special pressing problems, and you'll find the project easier.

Never put a tablecloth into the washing machine with candle drippings on it. First, scrape off as much of the wax as you can; then remove what's left with cleansing fluid, and if a colour stain remains, use mild chlorine or sodium perborate bleach.

If you find that you have more ironing on hand than you have time to do, put any dampened clothes bundles that are left into a plastic bag and store in the freezer.

Do you keep a miniature auto trouble light in the car? It's a handy thing to have for changing tyres at night, for reading maps, for finding what you're looking for in the trunk and for many other purposes.

General Tin was about to mount his horse and gallop off.

They were now in the kingdom of King Fat-Wat! They galloped down the road until they reached the royal palace. Then they went inside the gates and stopped at the big front door. They sprang on the hobbyhorse. The door was opened, and they went right in. King Fat-Wat was sitting in the Great Hall of his palace. And standing in the middle of the Great Hall, reaching from one end of it to the other, was the rainbow.

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All-Hongkong centre-forward Tang Yee-kit gives AIK's goalkeeper, Bengt Kjell, an anxious moment in Saturday's match at Caroline Hill which Hongkong won 2-1.—China Mail Photo.

Kowloon Bowlers Retain The Aitkenhead Shield

Kowloon lawn bowlers retained the Aitkenhead shield when they beat Hongkong for the third successive year at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club yesterday.

Kowloon won by 11 runs to seven and by 383 shots to 343.

Following the final totalling, the entire group, plus the large following repaired to the Kowloon Bowling Green Club-house for the customary post-mortem, (without which no Aitkenhead Shield match would be complete) and the HKLBA annual prize giving.

Mrs. Halusen, wife of the President of the HKLBA, presented the various Colony and League championship prizes to the successful winners and runners up, and following the distribution, Mr. M. N. Halusen, announced that a most successful collection by the two charming lady-lawn bowlers from Kowloon, Docks, Mrs. Zena Campbell and Mrs. Jean Banks, during the afternoon, had netted the fine sum of HK\$612 which went to swell the St. Dunstan's funds.

The President also announced with regret the forthcoming retirement of the popular President of the Kowloon Bowlers, Mr. Bill Gentry, and in token of the appreciation from the entire local bowling community for his fine support, presented Mr. Gentry with the official badge of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association.

THE SCORES

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Spartak Were Lucky To Just Beat Arsenal

Says ROY PESKETT

I don't think they will hang out any banners over the Kremlin. This was not the Russian steamroller, nor were Spartak a wonder side.

Maybe the Highbury mud helped Arsenal, but there were many thankful hearts in the small Russian contingent when Spartak, victors of a game which never rose above the level of a hard-fought Cup-tie, fled off the field at the close.

Spartak needed 12 men to beat Arsenal, inside-left Vorichilov being replaced 18 minutes from time by 40-year-old Honoured Master of Sport Demchenko, who was not in the game long enough to get his shorts dirty. And many of the 63,832 crowd will say they needed 13.

Home Soccer Standings

London, Nov. 13.

Home Football League standings after today's matches were:

	D	W	L	F	A	P+	P-
Wolves	17	9	4	36	26	19	12
Burton	17	9	4	28	20	22	12
Sunderland	17	7	6	25	25	21	12
Buddlefield	17	7	6	25	25	21	12
Manchester C	17	7	6	25	25	21	12
Leeds Utd	17	7	6	25	25	21	12
Preston	17	6	8	24	24	19	12
Bolton	17	6	8	24	24	19	12
Portsmouth	17	6	8	24	24	19	12
West Bromwich	17	6	8	24	24	19	12
Charlton	17	6	8	23	32	18	12
Chelsea	17	6	8	23	32	18	12
Brentford	17	6	8	23	32	18	12
Newcastle	17	6	8	23	32	18	12
Aston Villa	17	6	8	23	32	18	12
Sheffield U	17	6	8	23	32	18	12
Blackpool	17	6	8	23	32	18	12
Arsenal	17	6	8	23	32	18	12
Leicester	17	5	9	31	40	15	12
Tottenham	17	4	10	27	41	16	12
Wednesday	17	4	10	27	41	16	12

Not for many years will arguments cease to rage that Arsenal were robbed of a penalty, and a possible draw, 60 seconds after Spartak had scored what proved to be the winning goal.

The Russian referee, Latelych, who referred on the linear system in magnificent fashion, made only one mistake—but what a clanger! Right up with the play, he awarded Arsenal an indirect free-kick after Milton had been hurled to the ground when in full flight for goal.

As the whistle shrilled, with Milton sprawling helplessly and the Russian offender standing petrified, Arsenal penalty-taker Billy Barnes started upfield in readiness for the obvious spot kick, only to join in the protesting crowd of Arsenal players round the referee.

CROWD BOOED

When it was obvious that Mr Latelych was saying "Niet" to all appeals, the disgust of the Arsenal players was echoed by the vast chorus of boos.

Was it any wonder that Logie, who took the indirect free-kick, with the entire Spartak team between him and the goal, shot straight to an opponent?

Manager Tom Whittaker, who is usually so urbane over referees' decisions, used three words to me, afterwards, when I asked him about that penalty denial: "A god-awful decision."

M Antipenoe, the Russian leader, naively observed: "The player fell over and cannoned into one of our players!"

As one who has said constantly, since seeing Spartak in Belgium, that they would beat Arsenal, I must now add that the London club were unluckily not to get away with at least a draw.

Twice centre-forward Cliff Holton, who had as luckless a game as in the 1952 Cup Final, was presented with open goals.

His second miss was the most galling. With only 24 minutes left Arsenal, having recovered from the no-penalty disappointment, had scored an outside "goal," and were lasting better in the extremely heavy going.

Logie, out on the right wing, where he spent most of the second half, crossed the ball to where Holton, only six yards out, was high and dry on his own. Holton must have looked as big as a house to the apprehensive Pircey, who, however, was able to clutch the ball when Holton gently stabbed it forward.

A goal then and Arsenal would certainly not have lost, for Spartak were tiring badly.

Arsenal blanketed most of Spartak's dynamic moves, but the Russians kept cool heads in difficult circumstances to score their two goals.

CLOSE MARKING

Two minutes from half-time Tatouline swept in and crashed in a great shot which Kelsey did well to parry on the ground, Paramonov leaped nimbly over the goalkeeper and tapped the ball into the net.

This equalised a great first-time effort from Jimmy Logie seven minutes earlier, the little Scot crashing in an unstoppable shot after Lishman had cleverly sent him through.

The winning goal came ten minutes after half-time, Simonian heading over Kelsey's hands after the ball had twice flashed across the Arsenal goal.

I must record that, as with the first goal, the Russians' iron discipline slipped, and the scorer was warmly congratulated by several of his teammates.

The Spartak forwards were closely marked on the very heavy surface, which cut up quickly.

Full marks to the Arsenal team, not given a chance by the critics, and particularly to Jim Fotheringham, young centre-half who, literally, stood out head and shoulders. His was a magnificent display.

As he would, the eel-like Simonian could only find a way past the big boy, who is going to be another Leslie Compton.

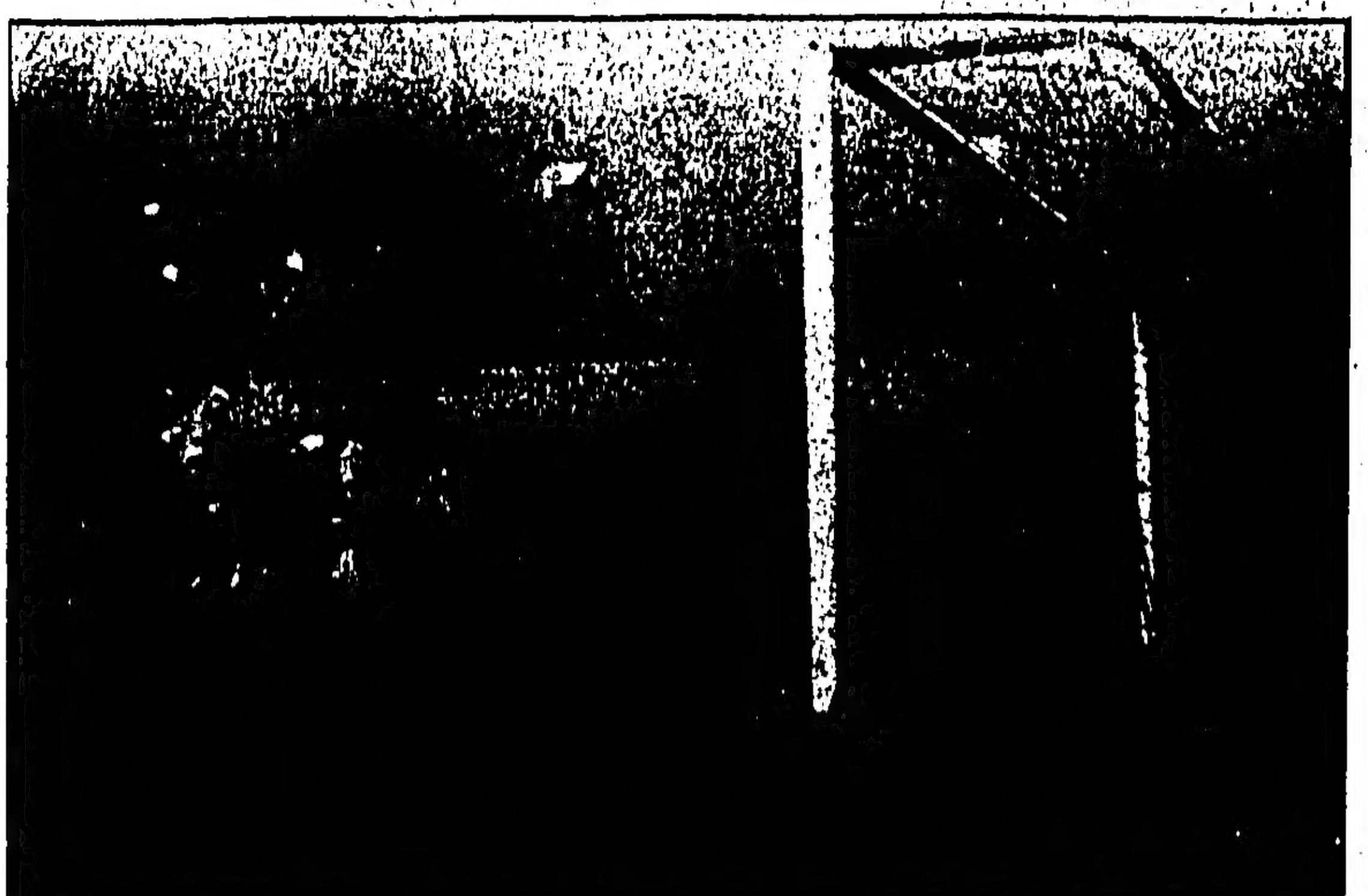
Arsenal's reason for not bringing Lawton or Bloomfield on for either Holton or Logie in the second half was, in the words of their manager: "We don't pull any fast ones; we agreed to use substitutes only in case of injuries."

Black-clad Russian goalkeeper Pirayev made two wonder saves, from a Lishman header and a Milton shot, but he was obviously cross with himself when Logie's unexpected shot whipped into the corner of the net.

THE TEAMS WERE:
Arsenal — Kelsey; Barnes, Wade; Gorling, Fotheringham, Forber; Milton; Logie, Holton, Lishman, Roper.

Spartak — Pirayev; Pervakov, Sedov; Paruchino, Bachchukin, Naito; Tseluchinev, Parushinov, Simonian; Vorichilov, Ilyin.

THE GOAL THAT WON



Arsenal goalkeeper Kelsey makes a vain leap as the ball crashes into the net for Spartak's second and winning goal of the match, played under floodlights at Highbury, London, on November 9. The scorer was centre-forward N. Simonian. —Reuterphoto.

One-Sided Games A Feature Of The Week-end's Softball

The week-end's Softball League matches were featured by victories of a handsome margin except in the Senior "B" League encounter where Overseas narrowly downed the University of Hongkong by 14-12 and Americans defeated the Pandas 'B' 6-2. The only Senior 'A' game between the Chinese Athletic Association and the Delawares ended in the former whitewashing the latter 20-0.

In the Ladies' League tournaments, Wahoos 'A' trounced the Pandas Ladies 17-1 and Wahoos 'B' outclassed Colleens 'B' 16-4. South China Ladies were treated with numerous free tickets in the 6th and outran the China Athletic Ladies 23-9.

The only game in the Junior League was Comets vs Pandas Jr. which resulted in the Stars shellacking the Cats 28-8 in five innings. The Dukes received a walkover from the 25 Pounders.

The young Delawares had just nine players turning out for the contest with the rest either in camp or hospital. The Athletics proved too strong for the crippled youth Tribesmen and they had a hitting spree in every frame. They collected altogether 20 runs and 18 hits in six innings while the Dukes were only hit a piece each in the first two frames and turned back with empty hands.

The game between the Overseas and University was a ding-dong battle. The Collegians drew blood in the first and added another two in the second. However, in the Overseas' turn to bat, runs came in by hits, free passes and errors and the score was 9-3 at the end of second.

In the third, it was now the scholars' big time. Their opponents made a series of errors and before they could settle down, eight Pokfulam dwellers crossed the home plate and were several bobbles by their team.

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The ex-champion Wahoos Aces were showing real hitting form yesterday. Though Amy Cheng, shortstop of Pandas, was the first to dent the rubber in the first inning, the Owls began their assault in the second. Theresa Campos got a three-bagger with Nana Carvalho and Terry Noronha on after two out and she herself scored on a pass ball. Then they ran wild in the third and fourth and no less than six wise birds flew around the diamond and nested home in each frame.

They added another two in the fifth to end the game at 17-1. All the Aces made a hit but two except Stella Correa. Best at bat was Terry Noronha, fielder and pitcher, who made two in three. Alex Mendez, the left fielder, Sheila Silva, the mounder, and Theresa Campos, the first station guardian, came next with two in four.

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THAR SHE BLOWS! —Some Whalers Are Still Old Fashioned

"Thar She Blows"

Old Crocks Roll Down To Brighton

Brighton, Nov. 14.

A fantastic Edwardian cavalcade of more than 200 ancient cars, snorted and chuffed their way from London to Brighton to commemorate the day, 58 years ago today, when British motorists were given the freedom of the roads.

Up to November 14, 1896, they were obliged to employ a lookout man walking in front of the car.

The 60-mile long Brighton road was jam packed with more traffic today than on a hot summer's day and the chugging veterans — all more than 50 years old — weaved a perilous way through

FIRST ACCIDENT

The first accident in the Brighton run marked the day, when a passenger fell out of the rear of a 1902 Panhard Levassor, after a tyre burst and was killed by a following vehicle.

The oldest car on the road, and believed to be the oldest petrol engined vehicle in the world still working, was the 1886 Hammel, brought over from a Copenhagen museum by the Royal Danish Auto Club.

The Hammel, driven by two Danes, averaged a steady four and a half miles an hour, including stops, and was expected in Brighton at 8 p.m. tonight. It left London at 8 a.m., being given half an hour's start because of its great age.

By 4 p.m. the qualifying time 103 of 212 starters had reached Brighton to qualify for a medal.

They looked like animated newsreel shots from the turn of the century with their high wooden spoked wheels and primitive cart springs gaily finished in brilliant reds, blues, greens — and one in vivid violet.

POLICE ESCORTS

Police lined the road all the way to hold back the crowds and untangle the snarled up traffic. Motorcycle police escorted the chugging veterans through red lights and round the wrong side of traffic islands.

The crew of the Danish Hammel were confident of ending their own time limit of 14 hours. Mr Vagn Loftis, Assistant Secretary of the Royal Danish Automobile Club, was steering and Finn Jansen, the mechanic who rebuilt the Hammel, working the clutch gas pedal and the primitive rim brakes on the narrow iron-bound wheels.

Every two hours they stopped to drain off the 12 gallons of water, which cool the two cylinder engines and replace it with cold water.

Two modern Danish Embassy cars followed the Hammel — both booted furiously in low gear — carrying heavily built young men to push on all the hills.

Mr J. D. Scheel, Secretary of the Danish Embassy in London, was ready with a large fire extinguisher "just in case."

10 MILES AWAY

At 6.30 p.m. tonight, it was reported, only 10 miles from Brighton and still making a steady four and a half miles an hour, including stops.

Geneva, the 1904 Darracq which starred in the British film of the same name about veteran cars, made a successful run today, quite free from temper tantrum. —Reuter.

The migrating whales are accustomed at this time of the year to travel south into Antarctic waters for the summer.

Meanwhile, in Tonga's clear, coral waters, the direction of the whale's sounding has been indicated by the harpoon line, and when the dead whale appears again on the surface, Cook and his sons are never far off.

The kill has been made, now comes the equally hazardous task of securing the prize.

Before the whale becomes waterlogged and sinks, Cook brings the boat alongside.

SEWS UP MOUTH

One of the boys, carrying a heavy needle and a length of twine, leaps from the boat onto the whale's back. Kneeling outside the head, he sews up the soft fleshy tissue of the mouth to maintain the whale's buoyancy.

A strong line is passed from the boat. Then, with jib and mainsail set, and the blue and white flag raised to the masthead, Walter Cook and his sons return to Nuku'alofa, towing their prize.

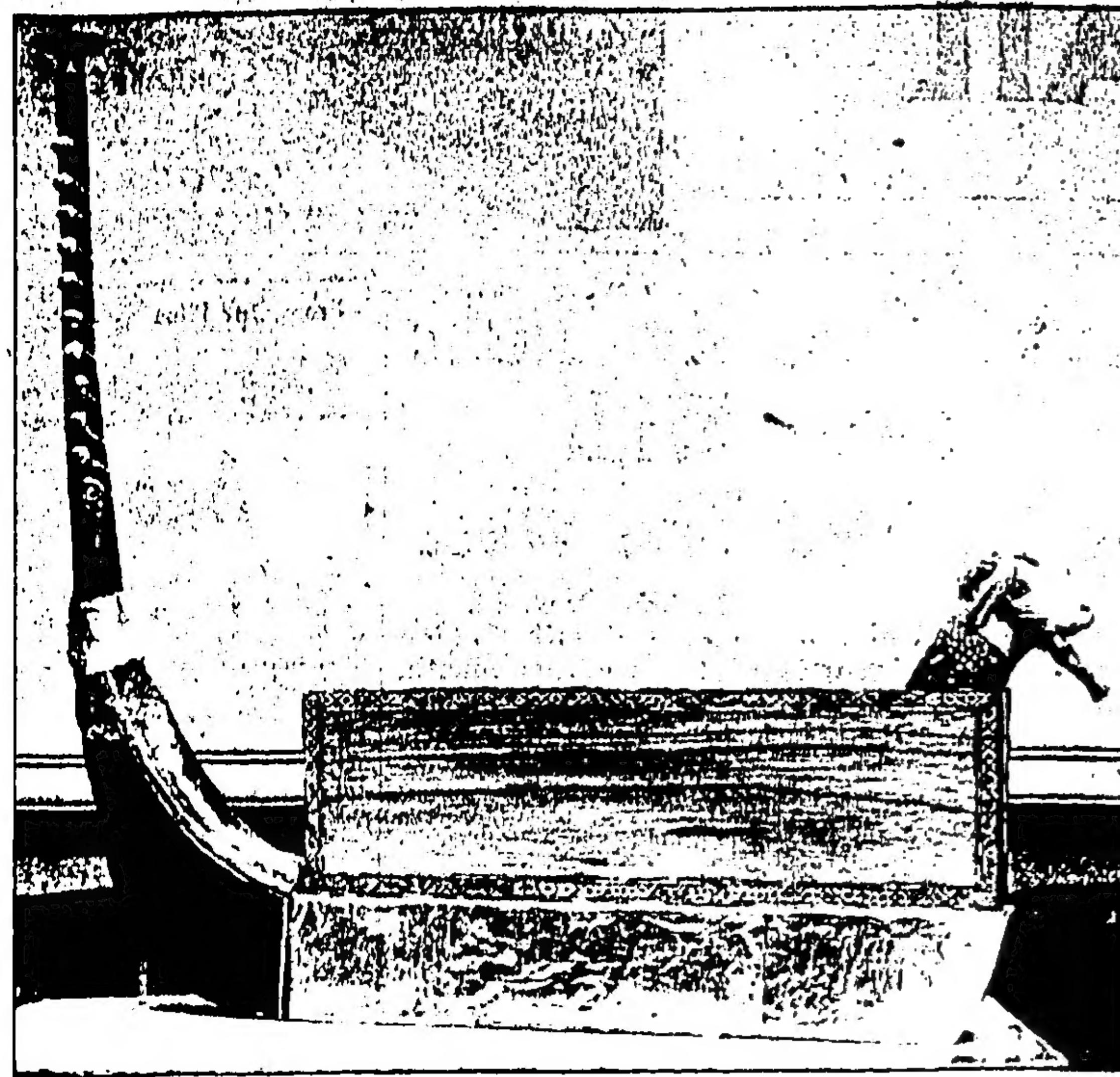
All day long, a procession of Tongans, knowing the flag's significance, are out on the edge of the coral shelf off Nuku'alofa, where the whale is "beached."

Many people have no fancy for whale-meat. But Tongans relish it, and the sale of the meat is Walter Cook's sole interest in his catch. Nuku'alofa has no facilities for recovering whale oil from the blubber — the substance which has brought whaling ships into the Pacific since the voyage of the "America" in 1787.

PROFIT ON MEAT

Walter Cook is content with his profit from the meat alone, and Tongans everywhere in Nuku'alofa feast on whale steaks when he has made a kill.

Next day, the remainder of the carcass is towed out into deep water, where it is useful as shark bait. Walter Cook and his sons describe themselves as fishermen, which includes shark fishing in these seas —



Bitumen Wouldn't Surprise A Babylon Monarch

If Queen Shub Ad, ancient monarch of Babylonia, could visit a modern city and see a gang of men on a road repairing job, her attention would probably be attracted by a thick black liquid being poured on the road and she might well exclaim with a start of recognition "Why, that's bitumen! I used to use it on my harp back in 3,000 BC, it made a very good glue for the inlay work."

Now her listeners would be very surprised to hear this, for everybody knows bitumen is a product of crude oil and surely the first oil well was drilled in the U.S.A. only just under a hundred years ago. How is it that Queen Shub Ad could be familiar with the bitumen that is so important a part of modern industrial development?

To find the answer, we have to look little closer into the sources and composition of crude oil. Generally speaking, crude oil accumulates in underground reservoirs, and it is perfectly true that the first deliberate attempt to tap these subterranean sources was made by Col. Drake in Pennsylvania in 1859. But that is not to say that oil was unknown before that time. Indeed what that famous traveller Marco Polo said in 1272 AD:

"To the north of Armenia lies Zorasp near the waters of which there is a fountain of oil, which discharges a great quantity as to furnish lighting for many canals. It is used for burning, in the neighbourhood no other; is used in their lamps and people come from distant parts to procure it."

One often comes across references to oil in ancient writings but, interestingly enough, there are even more references to bitumen, chiefly because the people of those times could find plenty of uses for bitumen but not for oil.

So there are two questions to answer: "How is it that oil was known in these far-off days, and if bitumen is a derivative of crude oil, how could it have existed before the advent of oil refining techniques?"

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The reason why oil has been known for so many thousands of years is, I venture, although it accumulates underground from decomposed organic deposits, it sometimes lies not very far underneath and escapes to the surface through cracks and fissures in the form of a seepage. Crude oil consists of various components such as those which we know as petrol, kerosene, fuel oil and bitumen. Basically, what refining does is to separate these components by distillation—first the light products like petrol and paraffin, then the heavier gas oil and fuel oil fractions until, in the end, only bitumen remains. Now what happens with an oil seepage is that evaporation takes place; it is a long process but all the lighter products gradually evaporate away until eventually only a form of bitumen is left. The ancients found that by "drying and evaporating" this crude bitumen still further in air, perhaps with gentle heating, it could be "thickened" and then used for building purposes, or a water-proofing medium, as a cement and so on. We know from the early Greek historians that bitumen from the nearby town of Hit was used in building the walls of Babylon.

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None of this makes sensational reading. It spotlights just a few of the hundred and one unassuming jobs that bitumen is always doing. Occasionally, however, we open our papers and find that bitumen has hit the headlines. Let us just take two examples since the war. "With the advent of the airplane engine, runway surfaces had to be able to withstand the most extreme conditions of wet and dry weather. This crude bitumen still further in air, perhaps with gentle heating, it could be "thickened" and then used for building purposes, or a water-proofing medium, as a cement and so on. We know from the early Greek historians that bitumen from the nearby town of Hit was used in building the walls of Babylon.

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Agricultural Import Quotas The Headache

GATT CONFERENCE

From Ronald Boxall

London, Nov. 14. One thing emerges from the general ministerial debate preceding the detailed review and rewriting of GATT. The main tussle in the coming months will be the question of import quotas, especially those on agricultural products.

As expected Mr Peter Thorneycroft, President of the Board of Trade, outlined the British case for the abolition of these quotas. The only exception in the British view should be those retained for balance of payments reasons. And even they should be subject to close scrutiny by other members.

Mr Thorneycroft left no doubt why Britain wants this: "The talk of making currencies convertible is meaningless and dangerous unless you can conduct the trade with which to back the currency. Wider payments must be backed by wider trade. That is true of all currencies but most of all it is true of a worldwide currency like sterling."

Quota restrictions maintained by members of GATT are those that affect agricultural products and then the rehabilitation of Allied countries.

Hence says Prof. Brandt, when all the pertinent items are given due consideration it appears that as a war and post-war emergency course the policy of fixed high level price supports justified itself, by attaining its objective.

But as a result of its great burst of output during and after the war U.S. agriculture today has not only an exorbitant reserve capacity but can make adjustments in production from one crop to another faster than perhaps any other body of farmers. And this makes it difficult to attack the problem of the overall surplus for restriction on one can hardly only leads to an increase in output of another.

There would be no problem, however, if farmers could still sell every pound of their produce at highly inflationary prices in practically any market they chose as they could until recently. Not only has the sellers' market for farm products been replaced by a buyers' market, but the whole question of marketing has been overshadowed in recent months by the existence of large stocks of surplus farm products in the United States.

BACKGROUND

This is the real background of the talks now going on in Geneva on the question of agricultural quotas.

If the problem of the U.S. farm surpluses could be solved that of the agricultural quotas would be for less intractable. Some understanding of the American dilemma is therefore essential to a full appreciation of questions now under discussion in GATT.

Professor Karl Brandt, Associate Director of the Food Research Institute of Stanford University, gives an idea of the extent of American farm surpluses in an article in the current issue of *Lloyd's Bank Review*.

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The task was so immense involving, amongst other things, the complete renewal of 15 miles of dyke that at first it was feared it could not possibly be achieved. The traditional method of dyke construction with clay, stone and turf would have taken too long and the materials were not even readily available.

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But wheat is not the only food surplus. Stocks held by the American Commodity Credit Corporation—the price supporting agency of the Federal Government—on June 1 last consisted of 900 million bushels of feed grain, 1,400 million pounds of butter, cheese and dried milk, 7,500,000 bushels of cotton, 610 million pounds of tobacco, large quantities of oil seeds and vegetable oils and a wide variety of miscellaneous products.

The cost of storing these surpluses alone is costing the U.S. taxpayer 200 million dollars a year.

DETERMINED

The American Government has taken determined measures to prevent surpluses growing any larger by introducing a flexible price support system in place of rigid supports and by restricting acreage to certain commodities. Yet still surpluses grow.

Before one criticises the U.S. administration, however, it is well to bear in mind the reasons why American farmers produced so much. With the depression behind them—but not forgotten—they increased their output during the war to an extent that was little short of miraculous.

Raw cotton exports by destination are reported in billions by the New York Cotton Exchange for the 1954-55 season. Total exports were as follows:

Cultured Pearl Sales In U.S.

New York, Nov. 14. Sales of cultured pearls in the U.S. will probably reach new peak levels this year, according to Mr David Goldstone, Vice-President of Imperial Pearl Syndicate.

His own firm's sales during the ten months of 1954 are about 20 per cent ahead of the comparable period last year. October sales topped all previous months, he said.

Prices of good quality cultured pearls are somewhat higher now than they were a year ago. He envisioned a serious shortage in the near future of 3 to 8 millimetre graduated necklaces, which are now in tight supply.

Nine-millimetre and large cultured pearls are very scarce and very high in price, he added.—United Press.

LONDON MARKET SHOWED A STEADY DECLINE

From Our Own Correspondent

London, Nov. 13. Profit-taking and "greater choosiness" on the part of investors combined to cause a moderate but steady decline of industrial share prices on the London Stock Exchange this week.

By Thursday's close the Financial Times industrial share index had fallen more than four points below its all-time peak of 182.3 reached a week earlier.

At the beginning of the week markets were unsettled by the possibility of renewed labour trouble in the docks but the disappearance of this threat did not help matters. Indeed, prices continued to drift lower throughout the week as sales became more and more evident and purchases fell away.

The immensity of several big issues had had its effect. Some of the week's selling was no doubt done by investors wanting ready cash to pay for new scrip. Doubtless, too, some of the new money that would otherwise have found its way into the market is being withheld in readiness for forthcoming issues.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET REVIEW

By Elmer Walzer

New York, Nov. 14. Industrial shares all but sealed the peaks of 1929 in a booming stock market during the past week.

At the close on Friday the industrial average was at a new high since Sept. 8, 1929 and just about one per cent under the all-time peak of 181.70 touched on Sept. 3, 1929.

Railroad issues reached their best average level since 1931. Trading increased sharply until the Friday total of 3,722,130 shares set a new high since Jan. 17, 1951.

Daily average trading this week amounted to 3,231,321 shares, against 2,840,183 shares last week.

The post-election spurt in share prices has lifted values of all listed stocks on the big board by around \$8,000,000,000.

Along with stocks business has set off a boom of its own. Brokers explain that election results—better than expected Republican showing—gave the market its big start. The booming business picture has helped carry the rise along since then, they add.

In the two weeks past, the industrial average rose 13.30 points and 11.10 points respectively for a total of 24,000 points or 7.08 per cent. The two-week rise in rails amounted to 9.00 points or 3.46 per cent and in utilities to 2.70 points or 4.03 per cent.

Gains ranged from \$4 to \$8 a share. Some high-priced issues and some preferred in a booming session that involved early ticket intercessions. Several other sessions witnessed a juggling tape, reminiscent of the 1929 boom and bust.—United Press.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$839,097.10. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

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East Asia ... 200

DRYGARNS

Union XD ... 900

Lombard ... 47

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